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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

WATANUKI ET AL.

Examiner

Kenneth N Vanderpuye

Art Unit

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 20-47 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 30-47 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 20-22 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 23-29 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 20-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kulkarni et al.(5,862,481).

With regards to claim 20, Kulkarni in teaches a method of r a mobile terminal moving between networks comprising the steps of:

With regards to claim 20, Kulkarni in teaches a method of a mobile terminal moving between networks comprising the steps of:

Receiving a first message on a second network(col. 2 lines 26-30, registration request sent to the MSC/VLR the to the ILR), when the mobile terminal has moved from a first network executing communications by using at least a first kind of protocol(Fig. 2 GSM) to said second network executing communications using a second kind of protocol(Fig. 2, IS-41);

detecting that said mobile terminal has moved to said second network, based on information included in said first message(col. 2 lines 33-38, ILR sends registration response); acquiring a first address that complies with said second kind of protocol on said second network(Col. 2 lines 47-67, routing number) and transmitting a second message including said first address to a first movement assistance apparatus connected to said first network. (routing number is sent to the home HLR)

Claim 21 is rejected because Kulkarni teaches a method wherein, in said transmitting step, said first message is transmitted from a second movement assistance apparatus connected to the second network(Fig 2, 3, MSC/VLR in the IS-41 network).

Claim 22 is rejected because In Kalkarni the act of responding to a registration request included sending a routing number to the MSC/HLR on the first network(GSM).

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 30-47 are allowed.

Claims 23-29 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kenneth N Vanderpuye whose telephone number is 703-308-7828. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F(7:30-5:00) Second Friday Off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Doug Olms can be reached on 703-305-4703. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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